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Letter dated 19 August 1999 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present, 29 Member States are in arrears under the terms of Article 19 of the Charter, which states as follows:

> "A Member of the United Nations which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization shall have no vote in the General Assembly if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The General Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a Member to vote if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member."

2. The minimum payments necessary to reduce the amounts owed by those Member States on their contributions so that they remain below the gross amount assessed for the preceding two full years (1997–1998) are the following:

	United States dollars
Bosnia and Herzegovina [a]	177 393.45
Burundi	143 800.00
Central African Republic	122 500.00
Comoros [a]	627 300.00
Congo [b]	316 500.00
Democratic Republic of the Congo	41 000.00
Dominica	33 109.00
Equatorial Guinea	43 465.51
Gambia	143 000.00
Georgia [c]	442 372.00
Guinea	133 500.00
Guinea-Bissau [b]	273 600.00

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	United States dollars
Iraq	9 135 200.00
Kyrgyzstan	502 600.00
Liberia	939 100.00
Mauritania	122 300.00
Mongolia	114 207.00
Nicaragua [b]	48 829.70
Niger	142 000.00
Republic of Moldova [d]	1 310 889.00
Sao Tome and Principe	404 000.00
Seychelles	87 900.00
Sierra Leone	46 449.00
Somalia	805 400.00
Tajikistan [a]	1 949 962.84
Togo	62 500.00
Turkmenistan	494 200.00
Vanuatu	95 286.00
Yugoslavia	12 678 500.00

[a] By its resolution 53/36 F of 28 July 1999, the General Assembly decided that Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Comoros and Tajikistan would be permitted to vote in the General Assembly until 30 June 2000.

[b] By its decision 53/406 C of 7 April 1999, the General Assembly also decided that the Congo, Guinea-Bissau and Nicaragua would be permitted to vote in the General Assembly until 30 June 2000.

[c] By its resolution 53/36 G of 28 July 1999, the General Assembly decided to grant Georgia temporary exemption under Article 19 of the Charter so that it may be permitted to vote in the Assembly until a final decision on the matter is taken by the Assembly.

[d] By its resolution 53/36 F of 28 July 1999, the General Assembly decided that the Republic of Moldova would be permitted to vote in the Assembly until 31 December 1999.

(*Signed*) Kofi **Annan**
Secretary-General